



South Carolina by the Numbers

 1,516

 383

 \$14.3m

Members & Volunteers Service Locations Total Investment

Meeting Needs in South Carolina

Last year more than 1,500 Americans of all ages and backgrounds united to meet local needs, strengthen communities, and expand opportunity through national service in South Carolina. AmeriCorps invested more than \$9.6 million in federal funding to support cost-effective community solutions, working hand in hand with local partners to empower individuals to help communities tackle their toughest challenges.

AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers are preparing today's students for tomorrow's jobs, helping communities and families impacted by COVID-19, reducing crime and reviving cities, connecting veterans to services, fighting the opioid epidemic, helping seniors live independently, and rebuilding communities after disasters.

AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers served at more than 300 locations across South Carolina, including schools, food banks, homeless shelters, health clinics, youth centers, veterans' facilities, and other nonprofit and faith-based organizations. Through a unique public-private partnership, AmeriCorps and its partners generated more than \$4.7 million in outside resources from businesses, foundations, public agencies, and other sources in South Carolina in the last year. This local support strengthened community impact and increased the return on taxpayer dollars.

What is AmeriCorps?

AmeriCorps is the only federal agency tasked with elevating service and volunteerism in America. We provide opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds to give their time and talent to strengthen communities across our country.

A Cornerstone of Our National Culture

By bringing people together to serve communities, AmeriCorps is making service to others an indispensable part of the American experience. We offer individuals and organizations flexible ways to make a local impact through our programs and initiatives.

Segal AmeriCorps Education Award

In exchange for their service, AmeriCorps members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award that can be used to pay for trade school, college, or graduate school; or to pay back qualified student loans. **Since 1994, more than 12,000 South Carolina residents have served approximately 15 million hours and earned education awards totaling more than \$34.2 million.**

Our Programs and Initiatives

AmeriCorps State and National matches individuals with organizations that see service as a solution to local, regional, and national challenges. There are thousands of opportunities in locations across the country to serve with nonprofits, schools, public agencies, tribes, and community and faith-based groups. Most AmeriCorps grant funding goes to the United Way Association of South Carolina, the Governor-appointed State Service Commission, which in turn awards grants to organizations to respond to local needs.

AmeriCorps VISTA places individuals with organizations that fight poverty, to build capacity and make sustainable change. Through fundraising, grant writing, volunteer recruitment, and so much more, AmeriCorps VISTA members gain experience and leadership skills that put them on track for a life of service in the public, private, or nonprofit sector.

AmeriCorps NCCC is a full-time, team-based, residential program for 18-24-year-olds. Whether clearing trails for a national park or building homes for families in need, AmeriCorps NCCC members engage in a variety of projects in multiple communities while developing leadership and teamwork skills. AmeriCorps NCCC FEMA Corps serves communities, in coordination with FEMA, through disaster preparedness, response, and recovery.

AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparents provides grants to organizations to engage low-income Americans 55 and older in providing one-on-one mentoring and academic support to children with special or exceptional needs.

AmeriCorps Seniors Senior Companions provides grants to organizations to engage low-income Americans 55 and older in providing supportive, individualized services to help older adults and adults maintain their dignity and independence.

AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP provides grants to organizations to engage Americans 55 and older in tutoring and mentoring youth, responding to natural disasters, supporting veterans and their families, and meeting other critical needs.

Volunteer Generation Fund supports voluntary organizations and state service commissions in boosting the impact of volunteers in addressing critical community needs.

MLK Day of Service is observed each year on the third Monday in January as “a day on, not a day off.” MLK Day is the only federal holiday designated as a national day of service to encourage all Americans to volunteer to improve their communities.

9/11 Day of Service calls Americans across the country to volunteer in their local communities in tribute to the individuals lost and injured in the attacks, first responders, and the many who have risen in service to defend freedom.

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Members & Volunteers


383
Service Locations


\$14,385,942
Total Investment

Program Funding

	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Awards	Federal Funding
AmeriCorps National	15	24	73	\$304,140	\$593,186
AmeriCorps NCCC	3	3	28	-	-
AmeriCorps State	15	143	325	\$1,453,650	\$2,427,988
AmeriCorps VISTA	17	65	95	\$547,138	\$1,509,855
AmeriCorps Programs Subtotal	50	235	521	\$2,304,928	\$4,531,030

	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Awards	Federal Funding
Foster Grandparent Program	4	70	199	-	\$979,544
RSVP	4	52	671	-	\$259,271
Senior Companion Program	4	26	125	-	\$638,880
AmeriCorps Seniors Programs Subtotal	12	148	995	-	\$1,877,695

Other Funding

	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Awards	Federal Funding
State Commission Investment Funds	1	-	-	-	\$331,495
State Commission Operations Support	1	-	-	-	\$337,485
Volunteer Generation Fund	1	-	-	-	\$255,935
Subtotal	3	-	-	-	\$924,915

Total Program Funding					\$7,333,640
Total AmeriCorps Funding Including Education Scholarships					\$9,638,568
Total Local Project Support (Non-AmeriCorps Resources)					\$4,747,374
Total AmeriCorps Funding + Total Local Project Support					\$14,385,942

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Notes: All data shown represents national service activity completed between January 15, 2020 and January 13, 2021. 1. Projects may be headquartered in other states. 2. The service location total may contain multiple counts of unique locations where multiple AmeriCorps programs operated. 3. Completed participants reflects all AmeriCorps members who completed service in South Carolina between January 15, 2020 and January 13, 2021. For AmeriCorps Seniors, this reflects all volunteers funded by grants completed during that same period. 4. The Education Awards figures represent the maximum potential value of Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards that could be earned by AmeriCorps members who completed service in South Carolina. The award can be used in any state to pay for college, graduate school, vocational training, or to pay back student loans. 5. AmeriCorps State and National, Foster Grandparent, and Senior Companion federal funding reflects the estimated proportionate share of the federal grant associated with the participants in this report. For AmeriCorps VISTA, funding reflects the national average cost per participant. RSVP funding appears in the state where the project is based and reflects the full amount awarded to operate the completed grant. 6. Current participants reflects national service participants currently serving in South Carolina. 7. Total local project support reflects non-AmeriCorps cash and in-kind resources that AmeriCorps grantees committed to raise in support of their completed grants. As part of its public-private partnership approach, AmeriCorps grantees leverage additional resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on the federal investment.

Program Funding

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Anderson	Anderson Interfaith Ministries, Inc Anderson Interfaith Ministries, Inc	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	4	\$24,580	\$68,550	3
Anderson	SC Disaster Corps United Way of Anderson County	AmeriCorps State	2	9	\$54,855	\$178,611	10
Barnwell	SCA Promise Zone SouthernCarolina Regional Development Alliance	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	2
Beaufort	"Read Indeed!" Early Grade Reading Program United Way of the Lowcountry	AmeriCorps State	5	19	\$32,313	\$93,356	11
Beaufort	CL Environmental Stewards The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	1
Charleston	Charleston HFH Habitat for Humanity International, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$6,095	\$15,192	2
Charleston	City of Charleston, MOCYF City of Charleston, MOCYF	AmeriCorps VISTA	18	27	\$131,578	\$364,446	19
Charleston	Sea Island HFH Habitat for Humanity International, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	3	\$18,285	\$45,576	1
Charleston	WINGS for kids WINGS for kids	AmeriCorps National	3	16	\$37,150	\$83,994	-
Chester	Building Capacity for Transformation in Chester County, SC Clemson University	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$12,190	\$33,408	-
Columbia	Boys & Girls Clubs of the Crescent Region Boys & Girls Clubs of the Crescent Region	AmeriCorps State	11	18	\$51,953	\$122,221	-
Columbia	Cities of Service Experience Matters Fund for Cities of Service Inc.	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$12,190	\$33,408	-
Columbia	City Year Columbia - FPG City Year, Inc.	AmeriCorps State	3	24	\$143,433	\$315,605	23
Columbia	Commission on Higher Ed College Access Opportunity Coach South Carolina Commission on Higher Education	AmeriCorps State	2	3	\$4,837	\$13,283	1
Columbia	Economic Mobility AmeriCorps VISTA Project United Way Worldwide	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,095	\$16,704	1
Columbia	Palmetto Conservation Corps Palmetto Conservation Foundation	AmeriCorps State	1	4	\$20,723	\$41,083	7
Columbia	SBP - SC SBP	AmeriCorps National	1	9	\$40,355	\$91,583	-
Columbia	Scoutreach: Building Character with Career Readiness Indian Waters Council, Boy Scouts of America	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$12,290	\$34,275	3
Columbia	South Carolina First Steps to School Readiness South Carolina First Steps to School Readiness	AmeriCorps State	-	-	-	-	22
Columbia	Sumter National Forest Mt. Adams Institute	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	1
Columbia	United Way of the Midlands United Way of the Midlands	AmeriCorps State	-	-	-	-	8

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Dentsville	SC Thrive SC Thrive	AmeriCorps VISTA	2	2	\$12,190	\$33,408	4
Florence	Teach For America- South Carolina Teach For America	AmeriCorps National	1	4	\$24,380	-	-
Gadsden	SCA SC Student Conservation Association, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	2	\$3,225	\$423	-
Gaffney	FIRST AmeriCorps VISTA FIRST	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,095	\$16,704	-
Georgetown	Black River United Way Black River United Way	AmeriCorps State	11	23	\$54,742	\$175,985	22
Georgetown	Black River United Way Communities Achieving Together Black River United Way	AmeriCorps VISTA	2	2	\$12,190	\$33,408	-
Greenville	Furman University National College Advising Corps	AmeriCorps National	8	8	\$48,860	\$80,178	7
Greenville	Greenville County Behavioral Health Program Mental Health America of Greenville County	AmeriCorps State	1	11	\$39,123	\$101,594	2
Greenville	Greenville County Behavioral Health VISTA Program Mental Health America of Greenville County	AmeriCorps VISTA	8	20	\$122,100	\$335,814	29
Greenville	Greenville County, HFH of Habitat for Humanity International, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	7	\$42,665	\$106,344	-
Greenville	Habitat for Humanity International Habitat for Humanity International-2012	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,095	\$16,704	-
Greenville	Impact America - Master Impact America	AmeriCorps National	1	7	\$29,866	\$68,000	5
Greenville	Keep America Beautiful Keep America Beautiful	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,095	\$16,704	-
Greenville	National Legal Aid & Defender Association II National Legal Aid & Defender Association	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,095	\$16,704	-
Greenville	United Way of Greenville County United Way of Greenville County	AmeriCorps VISTA	7	8	\$48,760	\$133,632	-
Greenville	United Way of Greenville County II United Way of Greenville County	AmeriCorps State	13	20	\$122,000	\$304,127	18
Hollywood	Affordable Housing Construction - COVID-19 (August 19 - September 14, 2020) Sea Island Habitat for Humanity	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	11	-	-	-
Kings Mountain	Preservation of Historic Camp York Facilities, Grounds & Trails (October 20 - November 19, 2020) SC Parks, Recreation & Tourism/Kings Mountain State Park	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	11	-	-	-
Kings Mountain	Preservation of historic Camp York facilities, grounds and trails (February 25 - March 18, 2020) SC Parks, Recreation & Tourism/Kings Mountain State Park	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	6	-	-	-

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Lancaster	Lancaster Promise Neighborhood Lancaster County School District	AmeriCorps State	3	14	\$73,440	\$180,264	7
Lancaster	YouthBuild Lancaster, SC YouthBuild USA, Inc	AmeriCorps National	1	6	\$9,582	\$17,149	6
Mount Pleasant	East Cooper HFH Habitat for Humanity International, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	1
North Charleston	Financial Stability Project Trident United Way	AmeriCorps State	9	20	\$73,055	\$168,836	11
North Charleston	Lowcountry Food Bank Share Our Strength	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$6,095	\$12,000	1
North Charleston	NeighborWorks VISTA Program Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,095	\$16,704	1
North Charleston	OYSI - The Sustainability Institute The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	1	5	\$17,760	\$37,500	-
North Charleston	OYSI19 - The Sustainability Institute The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	1	2	\$7,707	\$18,968	3
North Charleston	Reading Partners SC Reading Partners	AmeriCorps State	16	28	\$146,280	\$364,608	-
North Charleston	RP Charleston Reading Partners	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$6,195	\$15,479	32
North Charleston	Teach For America - South Carolina Teach For America	AmeriCorps State	39	89	\$542,555	\$89,000	79
Spartanburg	Economic Mobility AmeriCorps VISTA Project United Way Worldwide	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
Spartanburg	Spartanburg School District 7 - Cleveland Academy Spartanburg County, SC School District 7	AmeriCorps State	-	-	-	-	7
Spartanburg	United Way of the Piedmont United Way of the Piedmont	AmeriCorps VISTA	15	17	\$103,915	\$286,569	-
Spartanburg	United Way of the Piedmont II United Way of the Piedmont	AmeriCorps State	11	14	\$40,538	\$106,760	11
Spartanburg	VISTAs in the Piedmont United Way of the Piedmont	AmeriCorps VISTA	3	3	\$18,585	\$52,713	18
Sullivan's Island	CL Environmental Stewards The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$5,920	\$800	-
Sumter	UWSCL AmeriCorps Reading Success United Way of Sumter, Clarendon and Lee Counties	AmeriCorps State	16	29	\$53,802	\$172,655	23
AmeriCorps Programs Subtotal			235	521	\$2,304,928	\$4,531,030	403

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Aiken	FGP of Aiken, Allendale, Barnwell and Edgefield Counties Aiken/Barnwell Counties Community Action Agency, Inc.	Foster Grandparent Program	30	107	-	\$515,681	107
Charleston	Senior Companion Program Charleston Area Senior Citizens Services	Senior Companion Program	12	53	-	\$232,791	-

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Clinton	Piedmont Agency on Aging Piedmont Agency on Aging	Foster Grandparent Program	8	65	-	\$301,327	65
Columbia	Foster Grandparent of the Midlands Senior Resources Inc.	Foster Grandparent Program	25	-	-	-	164
Columbia	SCP of the Midlands Senior Resources Inc.	Senior Companion Program	6	-	-	-	86
Eureka Mill	Chester County SCP Senior Services Chester County	Senior Companion Program	3	-	-	-	51
Florence	Florence County RSVP Senior Citizen Association In Florence County	RSVP	23	253	-	\$47,500	300
Graniteville	Megiddo Dream Station Charleston Megiddo Dream Station	RSVP	-	-	-	-	150
Graniteville	RSVP for SC-01 Megiddo Dream Station	RSVP	11	100	-	\$89,193	100
Greenville	Greenville RSVP Senior Action Inc.	RSVP	1	65	-	\$56,628	65
Orangeburg	Save the Children FGP - SC Save the Children Field Office (SC)	Foster Grandparent Program	7	27	-	\$162,536	31
Sumter	Sumter County RSVP Sumter Senior Services, Inc.	RSVP	17	253	-	\$65,950	237
Wilkinson Heights	OCAB Senior Companion Program Orangeburg-Calhoun-Allendale-Bamberg CAA, Inc.	Senior Companion Program	5	72	-	\$406,089	72
AmeriCorps Seniors Programs Subtotal			148	995	-	\$1,877,695	1,428

Other Funding

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Columbia	United Way Association of South Carolina	State Commission Operations Support	-	-	-	\$337,485	-
Dentsville	United Way Association of South Carolina	State Commission Investment Funds	-	-	-	\$331,495	-
Dentsville	South Carolina Volunteer Generation United Way Association of South Carolina	Volunteer Generation Fund	-	-	-	\$255,935	-
Subtotal			-	-	-	\$924,915	-
Total Program Funding			383	1,516	\$2,304,928	\$7,333,640	1,831
Total AmeriCorps Funding Including Education Scholarships						\$9,638,568	
Total Local Project Support (Non-AmeriCorps Resources)						\$4,747,374	
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